

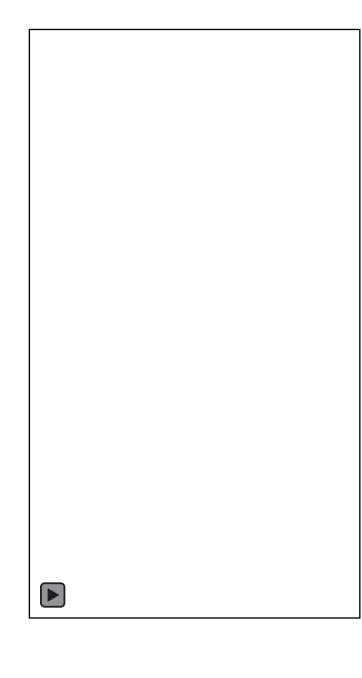
# LC CONF 2023

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### Trade Mission with Brazilian Education Agents

Lake Louise, Banff, Calgary, Vancouver

- Over 30 LC and CAPS-I members
- 30 top Brazilian agents
- 9 campus visits
- Public affairs activities

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### Trade Mission with Mexican Education Agents

#### **Quebec City, Toronto, Peterborough**

- 32 LC, CAPS-I and CICan members
- 30 top Mexican agents
- Representative from the State of Mexico
- 8 campus visits

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### Languages Canada 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference

Ottawa, ON



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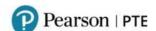






































Keynote address by
The Honourable Sean Fraser,
Minister of Immigration,
Refugees and Citizenship

LC Conference, Ottawa



The opportunity to bring in young people through international education programs that provide them with the language training they need to succeed is going to help cure this demographic problem.



### Regional roundtable discussions with MPs

#### LC Conference, Ottawa

- Marie-France Lalonde, Orléans
- George Chahal, Calgary Skyview
- Lena Metlege Diab, Halifax West
- Bernard Généreux, Montmagny—L'Islet— Kamouraska—Rivière-du-Loup
- James Maloney, Etobicoke—Lakeshore
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- Leah Gazan, Winnipeg Centre



















# French programs' meeting with The Honourable Marc Miller

LC Conference, Ottawa

 Minister of Crown-Indigenous Relations and MP Ville-Marie—Le Sud-Ouest—Îledes-Sœurs





## Closing reception special speaker The Honourable Mona Fortier

LC Conference, Ottawa

 President of the Treasury Board and MP Ottawa—Vanier





It is critical that an intersectional and inclusive approach is taken in the public service



# \$219,000 in CanExport Associations funding awarded to LC

- In support of the association's international business development efforts from April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023
- \$185,041 allocated to provide direct contribution to 69 members who took part in the 2022 Trade Missions targeting Brazil, Mexico and Japan





#### The MOVA Initiative

- Call to members in March to offer support to Ukrainians coming to Canada under the Canada-Ukraine Authorization for Emergency Travel
- Over \$10 million in language programs places donated by LC members
- Registrations openend in July 2022, with the Global Shapers Community (Ottawa) coordinating student placements
- Over 150 students supported to date







#### **ICEF French Education**

#### Montreal, QC

- Presentations and meetings with over 20 agents
- Quebec members' meeting held on the margins of the event at ILSC Montreal with
  - O Desjardins and I-IPIP





#### **ICEF** Toronto

- Presentations and meetings with over 50 agents
- Members' brunch held on the margins of ICEF Toronto in partnership with edvisor







### Mexico-Canada Partnership Forum



#### Whistler, BC

- 1.5 day partnership-building event
- 17 LC members and delegation of 16 Mexican higher education institutions, associations and government representatives
- Renewal of LC MOU with JuventudEsGTO Guanajuato
- Pre-and post-conference FAM tour in Vancouver,
   Nanaimo and Victoria







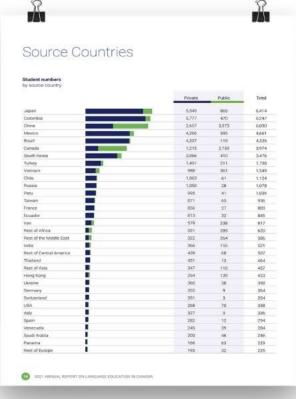




# Release of 2021 Annual Report on Language Education in Canada

- 57,423 students approximately 1/3 of the number of students in 2019
- 51% of student weeks delivered entirely online
- 56% of all students came on a study permit
- Top source markets reordered Brazil dropped
   5th place in 2021 (2nd place in 2020)
- Visa processing delays was the most frequently cited challenge of 2021





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### Visa Backlog and Processing Delays

- Biggest challenge to the recovery of the sector in 2022
- Pent-up demand, staffing challenges, and prioritization of Ukrainian Emergency Travel Authorizations
- LC launched a full court press on IRCC, PMO and MPs to identify a solution which would include TRV students
- Aligned messaging with other associations (CICan, CAPS-I, CBIE, UC)

- PushPolitics campaign in September and Visa Backlog Member Survey in October
- Light at the end of the tunnel into winter 2022
  - 1200 new IRCC staff to alleviate the backlog
  - Modernization efforts underway
  - Processing expected to return to within normal service standards early in 2023
- Do LC members notice an improvement in visa processing times and approvals for winter and spring 2023?





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### EAIE Barcelona – EduCanada Day

- Sharing LC's position and making members known to Trade Commissioners from Canadian Embassies across the world: Spain, Italy, France, Turkey, Greece, Lebanon, Portugal and the UK.
- Presentations and meetings with over 50 Canadian colleges and universities, including members and associations (CICan, CBIE and Universities Canada); meetings with partners, service providers and sponsors.







# Language and Work in Tourism and Hospitality Pilot

 LC working with Tourism HR Canada to design a supervised and supported framework for English and French language students to fill job vacancies in Canada's visitor economy.

LEARN MORE ABOUT THIS PILOT TOMORROW MORNING!



In partnership with







# First-ever Semi-Annual Report on Language Education in Canada

- Released to participating members in early November
- Timely data on sector performance and recovery in Q1 and Q2 2022
- Positive growth and recovery trends
- Rebound in junior students
- Return to face-to-face studies
- 42% of students using Study Permit; 31% Temporary Resident Visa;
   24% not requiring a visa
- Top source countries: 1. Japan, 2. Brazil, 3. Mexico, 4. China & Colombia, 5. South Korea







#### ICEF Berlin

- "Study in Canada" booth
- Presentation to over 50 agents
- Canada Reception in partnership with





Promotion of Canada Course

























# Trade Mission with Japanese Education Agents

Whistler, Nanaimo, Victoria, Vancouver

- 30 LC and CAPS-I members and one non-LC member BC institution
- 30 Japanese agents
- Representative of University of Teacher Education Fukuoka
- 9 campus visits over 3 days

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#### Staff visit to Mexico

Guanajuato, Aguascalientes, Jalisco

- 3-state visit in follow-up to Mexico-Canada Partnership Forum
- Presentation at Recrea Academy / Feria Internacional de Lenguas Extranjeras,
   Secretariat of Education and Secretariat of Innovation, Science and Technology of Jalisco
- Renewal of MOU with Jalisco Secretariat of Education in February 2023







### ICEF San Diego

- Languages Canada booth
- Presentation and meetings reaching with over 70 agents (in partnership with CAPS-I)
- Promotion of Canada Course







# The Canadian LOA Verification System

- Finalizing IP and legal documentation around the system
- Exploring ability to integrate with members' existing platforms
- Presentation to several key federal and provincial contacts, including Minister Fraser's office, senior IRCC public servants, and provincial contacts in BC and Ontario
- Scheduled to launch by the end of Q1 2023





### LC Communications

- 195 messages to members
- 6 members' town halls
- Updates to the LC website for a cleaner, more modern look and feel
- Follower count increased across all social media platforms
- Contact data migrated to Hubspot CRM





# Year-end membership overview

197 members as of December 31, 2022 • 26 French, 171 English • 56 public sector, 141 private sector

### New memberships in 2022



Calgary, AB Toronto, ON





### Membership changes in 2022

- Stafford House Calgary and Toronto rebranded as Bayswater Calgary and Bayswater Toronto
- ELS Vancouver rebranded as Bayswater Vancouver
- London Language Institute rebranded as Learning Languages Institute
- Real Institute, Ryerson University rebranded as Toronto Metropolitan University English Language Institute (ELI)





## Fundamental questions

- Is this the year language programs bounce back to 2019 numbers?
- How can we better contribute to Canada's education, labour, and immigration needs?
- Given the combination of adoption of technology during the pandemic and rapid evolution of technology itself, how do we respond as program leaders and educators?
- How will Canada's new International Education Strategy impact our sector, and what can we do to ensure we contribute to its elaboration?







# Primary objectives for the association

- Obtaining access to work for international language students
- Expand our circle of influence including dialogue with other sectors
- Continue providing world-class international affairs activities to bring more students to our members
- Provide members with research to bolster the standing of language education and guide marketing efforts
- Create new professional development opportunities to support growth and quality
- Continue fostering a sense of community
- Begin preparations for our next five-year strategy





### Considerations

- Stewardship
- Leadership
- Innovation
- Risk assessment





Support for those impacted by the earthquake in Turkey and Syria





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